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REPORTS

—OF THE—

SELECTMEN



Superintending School Committee

—OF THE—

TOWN OF LEBANON,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1ST, 1877.

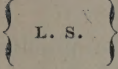
LEBANON:

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1877.



STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

 To the inhabitants of the Town of Lebanon, qualified to vote in Town affairs :
 L. S.  You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall, in said Town, on the second Tuesday of March next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to act on the following subjects :

- 1st. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.
- 2nd. To choose a Town Clerk for the ensuing year.
- 3d. To bring in your votes for Governor, Railroad Commissioner, Councillor, Senator, Register of Deeds, County Treasurer, County Commissioner, and Representative in Congress in district number three.
- 4th. To choose three or more Representatives to represent said Town in the General Court, to be held at Concord on the first Wednesday of June next.
- 5th. To choose three Selectmen for the ensuing year.
- 6th. To choose all necessary Town officers for the ensuing year.
- 7th. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town charges for the ensuing year.
- 8th. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to repair highways.
- 9th. To determine the division of the School money.
- 10th. To hear the report of the Auditors and the Superintending School Committee.
- 11th. To take the sense of the qualified voters whether the alterations and amendments of the Constitution proposed by the Constitutional Convention shall be approved.

12th. To hear the report of the Committee appointed by the Town to ascertain what rights the Town have in Lyman's Bridge, so called, or act thereon.

13th. To see if the Town will instruct the Selectmen to lay a road over Lyman's Bridge, or unite with the Selectmen of Hartford, Vt., in the purchase of said bridge in accordance with chapter 32, Pamphlet Laws of 1870, entitled "an act in relation to the construction and support of highways and bridges over the Connecticut River," or act thereon.

14th. To see what action the Town will take to prohibit fast driving on the Osgood Bridge, so called, or act thereon.

15th. To see if the Town will prohibit coasting or sliding in the highways, or act thereon.

Given under our hands and seal this 22d day of February,
A. D. 1877.

SOLON A. PECK,	} Selectmen of Lebanon.
WM. S. ELA,	
THOS. P. WATERMAN,	

A true copy of Warrant.

Attest. {	SOLON A. PECK,	} Selectmen of Lebanon.
	WM. S. ELA,	
	THOS. P. WATERMAN.	

REPORT

— OF THE —

SELECTMEN OF LEBANON,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1ST, 1877.

CASH RECEIVED:

Cash on hand as per last Report,	\$ 9,919 46
Received on County Pauper Account,	1,010 84
“ of E. P. Liscomb, rent,	100 00
“ of Savings Bank, interest on deposits,	253 79
“ of Savings Bank, borrowed,	2,930 00
“ of G. N. Greeley estate,	10 00
“ Savings Bank Tax,	3,327 21
“ Railroad Tax,	2,453 46
“ Literary Fund,	324 90
“ of J. W. Gerrish, for oxen,	122 50
“ of Elisha Ticknor, on Liquor Account.	198 34
“ of Elisha Ticknor, for use of Town Hall,	115 49
“ of J. G. Ticknor, on Tax Bill of 1874,	620 00
“ of Amos Jones, on Tax Bill of 1875,	1,703 29
“ of Amos Jones, on Tax Bill of 1876,	14,771 89
“ of F. B. Kendrick, for labor of James Flynn,	6 50
“ Balance of account in Eldridge estate,	361 24
	\$38,228 91

CASH PAID:

Ordinary and Incidental Expenses.

Paid A. W. Baker, Moderator, Mar. and Nov.,	\$ 10 00
D. G. Brockway, returning births and deaths,	3 75
T. H. Currie, " " "	5 50
J. A. Davis, " " "	12 75
S. A. Peck, expenses to Haverhill,	8 10
Engine Company No. 2,	182 32
Engine Company No. 3,	238 75
Hook and Ladder Company,	147 50
Extinguisher Company,	80 66
E. H. Cheney, printing reports,	60 00
E. J. Durant, Insurance,	60 00
O. S. Wright, " "	40 00
J. B. Pike, " "	80 00
J. F. Peabody, over taxes,	3 00
E. P. Liscomb, stamps,	3 00
F. B. Kendrick, cemetery fence,	5 00
Police,	46 00
M. A. Northrop, on common fence,	12 00
County tax,	4,428 04
State tax,	4,676 00
D. G. Phelps, on cemetery, at W. L.,	3 75
Durant & Perkins, on cemetery at E. L.,	2 88
E. Cole, Com. on division of school districts,	15 00
F. L. Owen, " " "	5 50
G. N. Greely, " " "	9 50
Goodrich & Baker, on Town Hall,	5 05
C. A. Dole, services,	62 50
J. M. Shirley, services,	24 50
Lewis Hinkley, labor in cemeteries,	13 00
W. H. Richardson, stationery and school books,	12 34
C. M. Hildreth, Fourth of July bill,	3 15
S. A. Peck, sundries,	8 35
H. O. Washburn, coffin straps,	1 75
H. S. Billings, on cemetery at East Lebanon,	6 50
E. P. Liscomb, repairs in Post Office,	15 00
E. A. Howe, sundries and labor,	2 37
W. R. Heath, Committee on div. of school districts,	2 00
H. Hatch, " " " " "	2 00
E. Ticknor, care of clock,	25 00
Jason Densmore, labor with team,	3 35
N. C. Hewes, labor on Town Hall,	1 00
F. W. Cheney, printing,	75

Paid E. J. Durant, Town Clerk and recording,	\$ 53 25
T. Landers, labor on cemetery road,	4 50
D. G. Brockway, Supt. of Schools,	50 00
N. F. Tilden, " "	50 00
J. L. Spring, services,	61 25
F. L. Owen, Auditor,	4 00
O. W. Burnap, " "	4 00
F. A. Cushman, " "	4 00
Solon A. Peck, Selectman and Treasurer,	315 00
Wm. S. Ela, " "	166 00
Thos. P. Waterman, " "	84 00
Amos Jones, on collecting tax of 1875,	21 28
Amos Jones, " " 1876,	180 88
	\$11,325 77

Extraordinary Expenses.

Paid O. S. Wright, damage on highway in 1873,	\$767 45
Chas. Taylor, " " 1875,	166 59
Wm. B. Leavitt, " " 1875,	40 00
Mrs. Geo. C. Stevens, damage on highway in 1876,	80 00
E. G. Southworth, damage to carriage,	56 00
Centennial Celebration Expenses,	600 00
Cost of new Gas House and fixtures,	228 93
F. P. Flynn, on Town Pump,	141 43
Brown Bros., " "	11 05
L. H. Sanderson, on culverts at West Lebanon,	601 00
Emerson Bros., " " "	398 50
A. S. Eaton, " " "	368 34
T. P. Waterman, " " "	94 00
Jeremiah Wood, " " "	44 00
A. Bacon, for gravel,	18 77
John Northrop, on culvert,	10 50
Geo. L. Rix, damage,	58 29
J. M. Rolston, damage,	35 00
	\$3,719 85

Highways and Bridges.

Paid Cyrus Heath, plank,	\$ 50 00
M. A. Northrup, stonework,	66 75
Hurlbutt & Emerson, lumber and labor,	162 02
C. P. Freeman, labor,	41 78
N. B. Stearns, labor,	48 20
G. B. Billings, labor,	70 00

Paid Wood & Waterman, lumber,	\$ 51 66
A. Balch, labor,	212 50
A. M. Shaw, meal,	43 00
C. B. Plastridge, labor and lumber,	65 50
	\$811 41

Town Paupers.

Paid for Moses Seavey,	\$ 6 00
R. Miller family,	55 54
Thos. Flynn family.	257 14
Laura Daniels,	96 00
Michael Foley,	3 68
Mary Stockwell,	10 00
Peter Russell family,	76 45
	\$504 81

County Paupers.

Paid for Martin Welch and family,	\$146 60
Betsy Brooks,	57 40
John Cota,	40 56
Amos Hand,	1 50
Mrs. Donahue,	22 41
Oscar Welch,	65 67
R. C. Townsend and family,	35 81
S. M. Willey and family,	41 91
D. Ingerson and family,	37 41
Thomas Roy and family,	75 69
D. Snay and family,	22 39
O. C. Kinne and wife,	79 67
Cephar Willard and family,	9 85
Jas. Simmons and wife,	32 88
Mrs. Longever and family,	53 28
Jemima Constantine,	4 75
E. Ensworth,	1 88
H. Alexander and family,	30 82
Mr. Bovia and wife,	21 00
Robert Bean and family,	78 41
C. Coran and family,	5 97
C. I. Brown and wife,	49 28
John McCue,	1 50
Abby Carlile,	3 00
Mrs. Nevers,	72 00
Frank Defoge,	4 14
Mrs. Laplant and family,	20 46

Paid for Israel Blanhecard and wife,	\$17 39
John Northrop and family,	5 00
John Townsend and family,	29 15
Geo. H. Smith and family,	11 46
I. P. Sawyer and family,	3 99
H. P. Sawyer,	1 78
Warren W. Howard,	4 54
James Henry,	2 46
Asa Clark and family,	54 20
Jerry Lower,	2 19
Perkins Moulton,	4 81
Joseph Brown,	4 50
Transients,	77 78
D. Carlile,	3 90
	\$1,239 31

Note and Interest Account.

Paid note and interest to Savings Bank,	\$ 3,024 00
on coupons of Jan. 1st, 1876, balance in full,	50 85
coupons of July 1st, 1876, in full,	1,008 00
first installment of town bonds,	10,000 00
coupons of Jan. 1st, 1877,	625 95
	\$14,708 80

Dog Account.

Paid Edwin A. Perley,	\$35 00	
Nathaniel Freeman,	25 00	
	\$60 00	
Whole amount of dog tax 1876,		\$172 00
Due E. F. Hough,	\$ 40 00	
Benj. Colburn,	13 00	
L. Joyce,	3 00	
Wm. M. Kendall,	16 00	
School Districts to balance,	100 00	
		\$172 00

Eldridge Estate Account.

CASH RECEIVED.

Of D. T. Ross, rent of lot,	\$ 14 00
W. R. Heath, rent of lot,	14 00
Frank Sayer, rent of two lots,	30 00
J. Mace, rent of depot-store house,	50 00

Of Mrs. Sarah A. Clark, rent of lot,	\$ 22 50
John B. Pike, rent of lot,	22 50
Rufus Baker, rent of homestead,	200 00
Chas. H. Whipple, rent of lot,	15 00
Geo. S. Shepard, rent of lot,	15 00
Lyman Whipple, rent of lot,	14 00
F. P. Flynn, rent of depot meadow lot,	236 46
E. M. Heath and others for grass sold on Green- ough meadow,	43 00
For wool sold 1876,	42 13
potatoes sold 1876,	4 07
wheat sold 1876,	10 87
butter sold, 1.95 ; sundries .73,	2 68
pears sold, 1.50 ; turkeys, 9.80 ; chickens, 7.00,	18 30
apples sold, 11.22 ; cider, 10.00,	21 22
wood sold from Greenough meadow,	7 50
hog sold, 19.46 ; beef sold, 76.38,	95 84
flour and potatoes, 13.25 ; oats, 4.15,	17 40
oxen sold,	122 50
sheep sold, 30.00 ; oats sold, 3.60,	33 60
	\$1,052 57

CASH PAID.

Paid J. B. Pike, insurance on Wilson place,	\$ 12 25
J. B. Pike, insurance on homestead and Green- ough place,	25 75
Fred Moulton, for oxen,	189 20
B. L. Greenough, repairing cart,	1 00
F. P. Flynn, for shingles,	53 48
W. H. Richardson, account book,	3 00
T. Baront, drawing shingles,	2 00
G. H. Rice, shingling,	9 00
Wm. Morrill, shingling,	30 28
Wm. S. Ela, shingles,	67 89
J. W. Gerrish, shingles,	6 25
Durant & Perkins, paints, &c.,	15 11
G. W. Worthen, paints, &c.,	11 15
J. H. Snay, painting,	23 50
Z. Huntington, labor on Greenough house,	1 00
Thos. Landers, " " "	4 50
Wm. S. Ela, for pig,	5 00
A. M. Shaw, plaster,	1 20
Simmons & Emerson,	60
Jerry Defoge, cutting bushes,	4 50

Paid Cole, Leavitt & Co., cultivator teeth, &c.,	\$ 5 75
Hurlbutt & Emerson, lumber,	1 20
N. B. Marston, lumber,	3 02
Mr. Bean, shoeing oxen,	2 50
Amos Jones, taxes,	111 99
G. W. Worthen, watertrough,	3 00
C. M. Hildreth, sundries,	24 46
Major Northrop, building wall,	32 25
A. Balch, labor on cemetery,	20 00
G. W. Gallup estate, hay for farm,	18 25
W. S. Ela, team to farm,	2 25
	\$691 33

RECAPITULATION.

Received,	\$1,052 57
Paid,	691 33
Balance paid town,	\$361 24
Balance of rent due April 1st, 1876, of F. P. Flynn,	\$63 54
Rent due Jan. 1st, 1877, of A. G. Page,	60 00

Indebtedness March 1, 1876.

Town bonds,	\$20,000 00
Interest on same,	206 00
Coupons, unpaid, premium estimated,	16 00
Due the school districts,	310 51
Elotia Hoffman, note and interest,	71 45
dog damage, 1876,	72 00
school districts, balance of dog tax, 1876,	100 00
	\$20,775 96

Assets.

Cash on hand,	\$1,141 97
Due on county pauper account,	1,239 31
Liquor in hands of E. Ticknor, Agent,	200 40
Carts and tools,	50 00
Land on Sweatland farm,	500 00
Due on Collector's book of 1874,	1,203 40
“ “ “ 1875,	55 75
“ “ “ 1876,	1,258 13
Lot of plank on hand,	85 00
Total assets,	\$5,733 96

Recapitulation.

Total amount of cash received,	\$38,228 91
Paid ordinary and incidental,	\$11,325 77
highways and bridges,	811 41
school districts,	4,716 99
county paupers,	1,239 31
town paupers,	504 81
notes, bonds and interest,	14,708 80
extraordinary expenses,	3,719 85
dog damage,	60 00
	\$37,086 94
Cash in hands of Selectmen,	\$1,141 97
Total amount of indebtedness,	\$20,775 96
Total amount of assets,	5,733 96
Liabilities over assets,	\$15,042 00
Liabilities March, 1877,	\$15,042 00
Liabilities March, 1876,	14,830 22
Increase of indebtedness past year,	\$211 78

All of which is most respectfully submitted,

SOLON A. PECK,	} Selectmen
WM. S. ELA,	
T. P. WATERMAN,	
	of
	Lebanon.

NOTE.—The sum of \$12.05 interest collected by collector not reckoned.

AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE.

We, the undersigned, Auditors, having examined the foregoing statement, to which the Selectmen of Lebanon have affixed their respective signatures, do hereby certify that we find their accounts properly vouched and correctly cast.

The vouchers, consisting of paid coupons on Town Bonds, of the following dates and their respective amounts, viz.: \$45.00 of coupons of January 1, 1876, all the coupons of July 1, 1876, amounting to \$900.00. Also \$585.00 of coupons of Jan. 1, 1877, and \$10,000.00 of Town Bonds were burned in the presence of the Selectmen and undersigned Auditors.

F. L. OWEN,	} Auditors.
O. W. BURNAP,	
F. A. CUSHMAN,	

TREASURER'S REPORT.

The undersigned having been appointed Treasurer of the town of Lebanon, by the Selectmen, makes the following report, viz.:

Dr. To cash received from the Selectmen and	
all other sources,	\$38,228 91
Cr. By paid orders of the Selectmen, as per	
items in the Selectmen's Report,	37,086 94
Cash on hand,	\$1,141 97
Respectfully submitted.	

SOLON A. PECK, Treasurer.

Inventory of town,	\$1,913,600 00
State, county, town and school tax, 1876,	16,074 28
Abated,	44 26
Uncollected,	1,258 13
Collected,	14,771 89
Rate per cent. on State, county, &c.,	84
Rate per cent. highway,	13 1-2

E. TICKNOR, TOWN LIQUOR AGENT.

REPORT FEB. 14, 1877.

Amount of sales for the year,	\$1,350 34
Purchased to Feb. 14, 1877,	\$1,002 00
Paid town,	198 34
Paid E. Ticknor, Agent,	150 00
	<u>\$1,350 34</u>
Merchandise on hand Feb. 19, 1876,	\$359 37
Merchandise on hand Feb. 14, 1877,	200 40
	<u>\$158 97</u>
Paid town,	\$198 34
Less on hand than last year,	158 97.
	<u>\$39 37</u>
Net profit,	

GRAFTON, ss., Feb. 14, 1877.

Then appeared E. Ticknor and made oath that the foregoing statement is a true account of the purchases, sales, &c., of liquors, by him made during the year.

Before me, SOLON A. PECK, Justice of the Peace.

E. TICKNOR ACCOUNT WITH TOWN HALL.

		DR.	CR. work.
1876.	Received of		
Feb. 23.	A. E. Hough,	\$15 00	\$5 00
" 23.	D. H. Sargent,	5 00	
" 28. }			
Mar. 8. }	A. E. Hough,	24 00	4 00
" 15.	G. N. Greeley,	12 00	2 00
April 18.	Methodist Society,	10 00	3 00
" 27.	Lower Hall,	2 00	50
May 2.	A. E. Hough,	8 00	2 00
June 19.	Reform Club, 5 nights,	22 00	6 50
July 12.	Hough's Band, 3 nights,	36 00	6 00
" 28.	Reform Club,	10 00	2 00
Sept. 15.	Catholic Society,	32 00	6 50
Oct. 9.	Reform Club, 8 nights,	16 00	4 00
" 9.	Tom Thumb,	13 50	2 50
" 10.	Agricultural Society,	6 00	2 00
" 21.	Democratic Club, 2 nights,	10 00	2 50
" 26.	Reform Club, 3 nights,	6 00	1 75
Nov. 20.	Hayes and Wheeler Club,	6 00	2 00
" 29.	E. Hildreth,	12 00	2 50
Dec. 8.	Reform Club, 6 nights,	25 00	5 00
" 20.	D. Magner,	5 00	1 00
1877.			
Jan. 11.	Hayes and Wheeler Club, 3 nights,	15 00	3 50
" 15.	Prof. Robinson,	2 50	75
" 20. }			
" 24. }	Reform Club,	18 00	4 00
" 27.	Odd Fellows,	10 00	2 25
Feb. 9.	Domino Party,	20 00	3 25
" 12.	Dance,	8 00	2 50
" 13.	E. P. Liscomb, for gas.	15 00	
		\$364 00	\$77 00

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By care of hall,	\$ 77 00
Paid for gasoline,	103 12
freight,	20 74
wood,	41 25
draft and P. O. orders,	65
stamps and stationery,	50
two brooms,	1 00
washing hall,	4 25
Balance paid town,	115 49

 \$364 00

ELISHA TICKNOR.

DIVISION OF SCHOOL MONEY.

Districts.	Dog tax.	Division, 1876.	Unpaid, 1875.	Total.	Paid.	Now due.
1	15 55	66 20	111 69	193 44	125 00	68 44
2	15 55	451 32		466 87	466 87	
3	15 55	168 17	84 16	267 88	240 00	27 88
4	15 55	44 40	28 61	88 56	57 50	31 06
5	15 55	86 75		102 30	87 00	15 30
6	15 55	69 64		85 19	85 19	
7	15 55	77 56		93 11	93 11	
8	15 55	140 90	46 73	203 18	150 00	53 18
9	15 55	121 12		136 67	136 67	
10	15 55	151 20	5 77	172 52	172 52	
11	15 55	141 95		157 50	157 50	
12	15 55	181 05	25 59	222 19	204 75	17 44
13	15 55	303 70	63 71	382 96	287 00	95 96
14 & 15	31 10	2319 02		2350 12	2348 87	1 25
16	15 55	37 15	44 90	97 60	97 60	
Gile.	70	6 71		7 41	7 41	
	\$249 50	\$4,366 84	\$411 16	\$5,027 50	\$4,716 99	\$310 51

REPORT OF SUP. SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

DISTRICT No. 1.

Prudential Com., E. L. Darling. Both Summer and Fall Terms taught by Miss Grace Darling, who was improved much by her past experience, and could do justice by a much larger school.

DISTRICT No. 2.

Prudential Com., Joseph Wood.

PRIMARY DEPARTMENT.—This school was under the management of Miss Mary C. Morris, for the entire year. Her long experience and love of the work have made her a most efficient teacher. We are always pleased to visit this school, and observe the quietness and interest of both teacher and pupils.

HIGHER DEPARTMENT.—For the whole year this school was taught by Miss Martha J. Tilden, who has now completed her 6th engagement in this District. Her methods of instruction are excellent; but there seemed to be a lack of industry on the part of the older pupils, during the Winter Term, which detracted somewhat from the appearance of the school.

DISTRICT No. 3.

Prudential Com., Geo. Stearns.

Spring School taught by Miss Bertha Stearns. School presented a quiet and busy appearance. Should think good progress could be reported.

Summer School under management of Miss M. Millie Miller, who was a most energetic teacher and who succeeded in so interesting the pupils that they presented a most creditable appearance at the public examination given at the close of the school.

Winter Term under instruction of Mr. Edward Houston. His first experience in teaching, and of course room left for improvement.

DISTRICT No. 4.

Prudential Com., Nathaniel Hall.

Only one school and that under management of Miss Carrie E. Wightman, a teacher of several years experience. The Com. were called several times to visit this school, and the result of our observation is that little or no progress was made—as parents failed to support teacher in her efforts.

DISTRICT No. 5.

Prudential Com., Roger Wood.

Winter Term only, taught by Miss Rosa Wood. Have visited no school the past year where teacher had succeeded any better in filling the pupils with enthusiasm in their work. The Com. were severe in their examination but they came off with colors flying.

DISTRICT No. 6.

Prudential Com., Henry Howe.

Winter School only, taught by O. A. Johnson. We are glad to say that the Prudential Com. showed wisdom in his choice of a teacher who was fully competent to teach a system of penmanship, which art is sadly neglected in the most of our schools. The school was visited but once; but we were satisfied that all would go well.

DISTRICT No. 7.

Prudential Com., E. Cole.

Summer and Winter Terms both taught by Miss Hattie Dyer, who fully maintained her previous good reputation as a teacher. In accordance with request of teacher, we would report that Master Freddie Pinney—a lad only 8 yrs. of age—was present every day, and neither tardy nor dismissed during the year. Indeed the entire register presented a marked punctuality of all the pupils.

DISTRICT No. 8.

Prudential Com., Alvin Howe.

Spring and Winter Terms, taught by Miss M. Millie Miller of whom we have spoken as teacher of No. 3. Good school and good results achieved.

DISTRICT No. 9.

Prudential Com., E. M. Heath.

Summer Term was under the charge of Miss Nellie I. Whipple, who, bringing some past experience to her aid — did nobly.

Winter Term was under the instruction of Miss Clara A. Purmort—also possessing experience and energy. We can say that, tho' the school is small, yet by faithful teachers, devoting their entire time to the few, and the few being ambitious to learn, there are not many schools that have made more substantial progress during the past year than this one.

DISTRICT No. 10.

Prudential Com., Ira Greeley.

This is the hardest school to teach in the town, owing to the large number of scholars of every variety of attainments, and the classes are so numerous that justice can be done to none. It was taught the entire year by Miss Ella M. Chapman, who did the best she could under the circumstances by which she was surrounded. We were sorry to observe during the last term a manifested disposition, on the part of some of the older pupils, to annoy the teacher and break up the harmony of the school. But we believe the district are about unanimous in the expression that Miss Chapman is a *good* teacher, and by her patient and persistent efforts, deserves their commendation.

DISTRICT No. 11.

Prudential Com., Nelson Gile, Jr.

The Spring and Fall Schools were under management of Miss Nina L. Gile, who at once secured the respect of the Dist., and the affection of the pupils, and, rarely does it happen that better progress is made, or better order maintained.

Mr. A. B. Haskell was employed for the 3d term. It was his

first attempt at teaching, and little or no progress can be reported.

DISTRICT No. 12.

Prudential Com., A. A. Sturtevant.

First Term taught by Miss M. E. Stone. Second and Third Terms taught by Miss M. E. Mahan. Both old teachers, and well known in the town. School was visited often and always made a good appearance.

DISTRICT No. 13.

Prudential Com., L. D. Merrill.

This Dist. was fortunate in securing the services of Miss S. A. Bryant for the entire year, who has taken most *excellent* care of the pupils. It is one of the most difficult schools in the town to teach, owing to the great variety of class-books in use, and the large number of classes. Yet good success has marked her efforts.

DISTRICT No. 16.

Prudential Com., C. A. Freeman.

Two Terms, and both under instruction of Miss Hattie A. Freeman. The school has made marked progress under her efforts—the same result as has attended her former labors.

CONCLUSION.

In concluding this Annual Report of the schools in our town for the past year, we congratulate the people upon their being able in so many instances to secure the services of so many experienced and energetic teachers. We would press the thought upon every voter to give his personal attention to this matter of the education of the children; and upon every district to unite in the choice of the best possible Prudential Committee, who will be so interested that he will hire only the best teachers possible under the circumstances. And with *all*, parents, committee and teachers working together for one object—the instruction of our youth—we shall see them growing in knowledge and progressing for usefulness.

Respectfully Submitted.

D. G. BROCKWAY, } S. S.
N. F. TILDEN. } Com.

REPORT OF THE HIGH SCHOOL COMMITTEE

FOR HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 14 AND 15.

The High School has been under the charge of Mr. Earl W. Westgate during the whole year. That the expectations of the District, when the services of Mr. Westgate were first secured, have been fully met during the past year, is shown in the appearance of the school, in its marked improvement both in progress and in the style of the recitations. We can but feel that our High School under his management, with a good assistant, which we trust the District will procure for him, will rank well with the best schools in the State. The tardiness in this school averaged about three times by each scholar during the year.

The next or Grammar Department was under the charge of Miss Ellen F. Smalley during the first term, but owing to a change in our teachers, for the remaining two terms Miss M. Lizzie Cushman succeeded her. While the school appeared well under Miss Smalley, we can say that during the last two terms Miss Cushman has met with her usual success in awakening the interest of her scholars in their studies, and the expected progress and thoroughness have been the result. The tardiness in this school averaged about the same as in Mr. Westgate's room.

The Second Grammar Department was taught by Miss Emily Owen during the first term, and the Committee regretted that at its close Miss Owen felt under the necessity of withdrawing. The services of Miss Pauline S. Miller were secured for the remainder of the year. We consider Miss Miller's school one of the most difficult in the building, but through her faithful

labors the progress of the school was all we anticipated. The tardiness in this department averaged about nine times by each scholar during the year.

The First Intermediate Department, Miss Georgie M. Dudley taught during the year with increasing success. The tardiness in this school averaged about seven times by each scholar during the year.

The Second Intermediate, Department during the first term, was taught by Miss M. E. Mahan to the satisfaction of the Committee. The remaining two terms it was taught by Miss Mary E. Hall, who is an excellent scholar as shown in the marked progress of the school; but with more experience on her part we should expect improvement in discipline. Tardiness in this department averaged about nine times by each scholar during the year.

The Primary Department was taught satisfactorily the first term by Miss M. Lizzie Cushman, and upon her transfer to the Grammar Department, Miss Addie F. Straw succeeded her. This was Miss Straw's first school, and she was quite successful. She also taught acceptably a class from Mr. Westgate's room in French and one in Algebra. Tardiness in this school averaged about six times by each scholar during the year.

The Primary Department on the west side of the river was taught the first term by Miss Mary L. Durkee acceptably; the remaining terms by Miss Ellen F. Smalley, whom the Committee transferred to that school, feeling that the school would be well cared for by her; and we were not disappointed, the progress being quite marked. In this school Miss Durkee's register shows the tardiness to average about three times by each scholar during the term taught by her; but during the terms taught by Miss Smalley the average, as appears by her registers, was about two-fifteenths of a time by each scholar during those terms, which leads the Committee to fear that her registers were not kept as strictly in accordance with the directions therein, as were the registers of the other teachers.

We have reported particularly as to the tardiness in the several schools, that the attention of the parents may be

specially called to this evil ; and as bearing upon an article which we have inserted in the school warrant, relating to placing a tower for the bell upon the school house. We think if the bell could be hung and thus do away with the trouble as to variation of the time as indicated by the various family clocks, we could then adopt some regulations by which this matter of tardiness could be substantially remedied to the satisfaction of all and to the great improvement of the schools.

We were pleased to find by the various registers that the parents and friends had visited the schools so often during the year, and that so many were present at the examinations. We trust the number of visits will increase and thus your interest in the schools will proportionately increase, and you will be enabled to advise and make valuable suggestions to your Board of Education ; and it will then be unnecessary for them to report to you at any length what you will yourselves have carefully observed.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

C. A. DOLE,	} High School
R. W. CRAGIN,	
O. W. BURNAP,	
	Committee.

TABLE OF SCHOOLS.

Districts.	Terms.	TEACHERS.	Length in weeks.	Wages per month, including board.	Whole number of scholars.	Average attendance.	No. of visits by S. S. Com'tee.
1	1	Grace Darling,	12	\$16 00	7	6½	2
	2	Grace Darling,	12	16 00	7	6½	1
2	1	Mary C. Morris,	10	28 00	17	16	3
	2	Mary C. Morris,	10	28 00	22	21	2
	3	Mary C. Morris,	10	30 00	18	17	2
	1	Martha J. Tilden,	10	32 00	20	18½	3
	2	Martha J. Tilden,	10	32 00	23	20½	2
	3	Martha J. Tilden,	10	32 00	26	25	2
3	1	Register not returned.					
	2	M. Millie Miller,	10	24 00	30	27	2
	3	Register not returned.					
4	1	Carrie E. Wightman,	9	20 49	13	9½	1
5	1	Rosa A. Wood,	14	20 00	12	9	2
6	1	O. A. Johnson,	12	25 33	5	4	1
7	1	Hattie Dyer,	12	16 00	6	5 9-10	2
	2	Hattie Dyer,	10	16 00	8	6½	2
8	1	M. Millie Miller,	12	21 00	12	9½	1
	2	M. Millie Miller,*					
9	1	Nellie I. Whipple,	6	20 00	6	5 1-6	2
	2	Clara A. Purmort,	13	28 00	7	5½	1
10	1	Ella M. Chapman,	12	30 00	36	31	2
	2	Ella M. Chapman,	10	34 00	36	34	5
11	1	Nina L. Gile,	10	22 00	13	11	2
	2	Nina L. Gile,	10	24 00	16	14	1
	3	A. B. Haskell,	10	32 00	11	8	2
12	1	Mary E. Stone,	8	25 00	21	17	1
	2	M. E. Mahan,	8	28 00	19	15½	1
	3	M. E. Mahan,	10	32 00	22	18	1
13	1	S. A. Bryant,	10	28 00	19	16	1
	2	S. A. Bryant,	11	32 00	20	16	2
	3	S. A. Bryant,	12	32 00	26	21	3
14	1	Lizzie Cushman,	10	30 00	50	37	
&	2	Addie F. Straw,	12	34 00	42	30	
15	3	Addie F. Straw,	12	34 00	27	21	
	1	M. E. Mahan,	10	28 00	47	39	
	2	Mary E. Hall,	12	32 00	42	34	
	3	Mary E. Hall,	12	32 00	45	35	
	1	G. M. Dudley,	10	28 00	38	30	
	2	G. M. Dudley,	12	32 00	39	32	
	3	G. M. Dudley,	12	32 00	40	34	
	1	Emily Owen,	10	36 00	36	32	
	2	M. M. Miller,	12	32 00	38	30	
	3	M. M. Miller,	12	32 00	42	35	
	1	Nellie F. Smalley,	10	36 00	37	35	
	2	Lizzie Cushman,	12	36 00	44	40	
	3	Lizzie Cushman,	12	36 00	37	34	
	1	E. W. Westgate,	10	129 41	34	31	
	2	E. W. Westgate,	12	129 41	36	31	
	3	E. W. Westgate,	12	129 41	37	33	
	1	Mary L. Durkee,	10	30 00	39	32	
	2	Nellie F. Smalley,	12	36 00	42	39	
	3	Nellie F. Smalley,	12	36 00	34	31	
16	1	Hattie A. Freeman,	10	14 00	5	4½	1
	2	Hattie A. Freeman,	12	15 00	6	5	2

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